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U.S. Patent Documents:

6,168,948 January 2, 2001.
6,586,233 July 1, 2003.

Foreign Patent Document:

EP 504435 A1 September 23, 1992.

Non-Patent Document:

KOPP et al., "Chemical Amplification: Continuous-Flow PCR on a Chip," Science 280: 1046-1048 (1998).
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Respectfully submitted,

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